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The amendment filed on 6/24/03 canceling all claims drawn to the elected invention and presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected invention is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). The remaining claims are not readable on the elected invention because amended claim 1 requires applying the thermoplastic binder material prior to formation of the pile loops. Original claim 1 was not generic as to when the thermoplastic binder material is applied. Original claim 1 required applying the thermoplastic binder material in the vicinity of the root portion of the loops, i.e. original claim 1 required the thermoplastic binder material to be applied after forming the pile loops.

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

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